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SUBJ: PERIODIC REPORTS TO SFRC

REF: STATE 063137 (122254Z APR 72)

1. EMBASSY SUPPORTS DEPARTMENT'S EFFORTS TO MAKE REPORTS TO SFRC ON QUARTERLY RATHER THAN MONTHLY BASIS.

2. WE BELIEVE WE CAN PROVIDE THE STATISTICS REQUESTED BUT SUGGEST CERTAIN CHANGES IN FORMAT FOR THE PROPOSED REPORT CONCERNING MILITARY-RELATED INFORMATION ON CAMBODIA. WITH REFERENCE TO OUTLINE OF PROPOSED QUARTERLY REPORT ON CAMBODIA SET FORTH IN REFTEL, SUGGEST FOLLOWING CHANGES TO MAKE REPORT MORE MEANINGFUL:

- A. PARA 1 - NO CHANGE.
- B. PARA 2 - DELETE WORDS IN PARENTHESIS "(AVERAGE NUMBER DURING AYE QUARTER)" FROM PARA HEADING.
- C. SUBPARA 2.A(1) - DELETE "TRAINED AND COMBAT READY" AND SUBSTITUTE THE WORDS "TOTAL STRENGTH AS OF END OF QUARTER".
- D. PARA 2.A(2) - DELETE "IN TRAINING" AND SUB-

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STITUTE WORDS "TRAINED AS OF END OF QUARTER".

E. PARA 2.A (3) - DELETE "UNTRAINED" AND SUBSTITUTE WORDS "COMPLETED TRAINING DURING QUARTER".

F. PARA 2.B. - ADD TO PARAGRAPH HEADING "SOUTH VIETNAMESE (AVERAGE OF WEEKLY FIGURES DURING QUARTER)".

G. PARA 3 - AMEND PARAGRAPH HEADING TO READ "ESTIMATED ENEMY FORCES IN CAMBODIA (AVERAGE OF MONTHLY FIGURES FOR THE QUARTER)".

H. ELIMINATE SUBPARAGRAPHS 3.A (1) AND (2). WE DO NOT BELIEVE WE CAN PROVIDE MEANINGFUL FIGURES FOR ENEMY FORCES COMBATTING FANK AND COMBATTING RVNAF.

I. PARA 4 - ADD THE FOLLOWING: SUBPARA "A. TACTICAL AIR SORTIES" AND SUBPARA "B. AIR TRANSPORT SORTIES".

J. PARA 5 - AMEND PARAGRAPH HEADING TO READ "CASUALTIES IN CAMBODIA".

K. PARA 6 - AMEND PARAGRAPH HEADING TO READ "USG MILITARY CONTRACTS OR AGREEMENTS, IF ANY".

3. WE CONCUR THAT THE REPORT SHOULD HAVE THE OVERALL CLASSIFICATION OF SECRET AND BELIEVE THAT IF IT IS AMENDED AS SUGGESTED IN PARAGRAPH 2 ABOVE, OUR REPORT WILL PROVIDE INFORMATION WHICH IS AVAILABLE TO US AND WHICH SHOULD SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE SFRC.

4. ACTION COMUSMACV. REQUEST YLKN PROVIDE US WITH WEEKLY FIGURES ON ARVN FORCES PRESENT, SD ON ARVN CASUALTIES SUSTAINED IN CAMBODIA (ITEMS B AND 5C). SWANK

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